



Escape from Bagram

Part 2

In the Name of Allāh, Most-Gracious, Most-Merciful

Abūl-Fārūq Al-‘Irāqī:

All praise is due to Allāh, Lord of the Worlds

And prayers and peace be upon the His Blessed Messenger and upon his all family and companions.

All praise is due to Him, Who saved us from the disbelieving people

All praise is due to Him, Who made our rescue an honor for Islam and the Muslims

All praise is due to Him, Who made our rescue a humiliation for disbelief and the polytheists

All praise is due to Allāh Lord of the Worlds. Copious, pure, blessed praise, the fill of the Heavens and the Earth and what He wishes

And to proceed;

We shall mention some of the things that occurred to me personally and to my brothers, from the degrading of the *Dīn* (Islām) and the beliefs of the Muslims by the disbelievers and what this torture did to our bodies and some of the things that happened to our brothers in these prisons.

The brothers have gone through various prisons in this country, among them Bagram, where we were, and the *Adh-Dhalām* prison in Kabul and also in the house of *Al-Mullah* 'Umar in Qandahar and Bansheer.



So, I'll recount what happened to me specifically in Bagram prison and what affected my belief and our *Tawhīd* (Monotheism) of Allāh All-Mighty. For the disbelievers would force me to bow down to the interrogator; with compulsion, subjugation and might. And how they degraded the Holy *Qur'ān* and he said to me specifically, “*Is this the Qur'ān that you read a lot? Is this your Qur'ān?*” Then he took it and threw it on the ground and stomped and stomped on it, the dog. May Allāh curse them! How are they deviating from the Right Path?

And they would laugh together, and we ask Allāh to give us victory and give us the strength to take revenge upon them with the permission of Allāh, *Āmīn*.

And also cursing Allāh All-Mighty openly and daily, mocking the *Adhān* and other signs of the Religion. We ask Allāh, All-Mighty and Exalted, to give us their necks and grant us their shoulders. *Āmīn*.

And also what occurred from torture – physical torture – how they would hang one of us – daily – he would hang unceasingly, either from two hands, like this, or from one hand. And also bodily strain – they don't let him rest, day and night, it is, “*Get up, sit down, get up, sit down, don't sleep, don't stretch out on the ground, don't lie down.*” They don't give him water, they don't give him food. And also what happened in the *Adh-Dhalām* prison in Kabul from chaining the hand to the wall for months, without release. He has a bucket to do his business and that's it, and they don't give food except after every two or three days.

Shaykh Abū Yahyā Al-Lībī:

This *Adh-Dhalām* prison is reckoned the biggest prison of the American intelligence, not only on the level of Afghanistan, but according to their words, it is the center prison that they use to torture the brothers and to take information from them. And its not only for the Arabs who are caught in Afghanistan or Pakistan, for, *Mujāhidīn* from all parts of the world have been thrown there, some of the brothers were caught in Thailand and then brought to this *Adh-Dhalām* prison, or prison of torture as the brothers call it, in Kabul. And it is located in the Kabul airport, on the runway.



Abū Nāsir Al-Qahtānī:

Karzai’s private airport.

Shaykh Abū Yahyā Al-Lībī:

And some of the brothers were brought from Indonesia, from among them was the brother Fārūq, he was brought to this prison, some of the brothers were brought from Somalia, some brothers were brought from Egypt... So from every part of the world, the brothers that are caught are brought to this prison, the head of the American intelligence, David, said in exactly the following words, “*We do not bring to this prison, except those who are very dangerous to us.*” So it is a central prison in it the Americans carry out the worst kinds of torture that were are unheard of.

Abū Mu’ādh As-Sūrī:

I myself stayed in the prison around eight and a half months. I stayed a month or half, with my hands chained like this, a small chain. The bucket is available in the room. Music 24 hours, and specifically in the month of Ramadan. Normally it was Western songs, when the month of Ramadan began they brought in Eastern songs, Lebanese, Egyptian all the Arab songs.

Abū Nāsir Al-Qahtānī:



I stayed in this prison, this *Adh-Dhalām* prison approximately three to four months. I swear by Allāh, All-Mighty, that my hand was chained to the wall – like this – may Allāh honor you. By Allāh, we did our business in the same place. They would bring us a bucket to do our business in. We didn’t pray except with words. Food would not come except once or twice every two or three days.

Abūl-Fārūq Al-‘Irāqī:

And not to mention the stripping naked of the brothers in the prison, and it was very cold in the middle of winter. They strip the brother then they come with very cold water and pour it on him. Look at this physical torture and all that from humiliation and what happened to some of our brothers, things that turn the hairs grey. They, who claim to be the upholders of human rights, come with the honorable, dear *Mujāhid* brother, who Allāh honored, however Allāh tests those whom He wills, and they rape him. We ask Allāh to magnify his reward and to release him and take revenge upon the disbelievers.

Shaykh Abū Yahyā Al-Lībī:

As for how the new person enters the prison of Bagram, then it is a story by itself. As is known by all, the person is innocent until he is proven guilty, as for with them, the person is guilty and a criminal until it has been proven he is innocent, and there is no difference whether his innocence is proven or not.

So when the new person is brought, and he is full of fear and sometimes very cold and his hands and feet are in fetters, so he is brought and placed in a small room, the waiting room, then a group of trained dogs are brought, and of course he is blindfolded, so they only uncover his ears so that he can hear the barking of the dogs. So the person sits there and wakes up to the barks of the dogs, and its face is in his face, and sometimes it brushes him with its claws, and so in this situation he almost loses his



mind. Then after that, the person is taken, violently and roughly by two soldiers, to another big room. He finds in the room, a man standing in front of him and behind him he finds seven or eight soldiers standing, and among them a woman or two. Then he is screamed at in his face with the loudest of screams, and is ordered to stand in the middle of a red square. After that he is ordered to remove his clothes, in front of this gathering of Americans, and if he refuses, his clothes are stripped off with force.

After that, the doctor comes and using the stethoscope he begins examining him from his head – and he doesn’t want to examine him nor does he want to discover some illness – what he wants is to humiliate him, so he examines him from his head to the toe of his foot, and he touches every part of his body, there is no sanctity for anything on his body, and we don’t want to go into detail. Then he is taken, this is after his fingerprints have been taken and his photo taken while he is naked. Then he is screamed at in his face again and given his new name, which is his number in prison. Then he is taken to the washroom, and he washes naked in front of the soldier and he is given the red suit, and he stays handcuffed 24 hours in a solitary room, blindfolded, ears blocked, 24 hours in this way. Then after this he stays for a time, around between seven or eight months, forbidden to speak with anyone and he is punished if he speaks with someone, either he is made to stay like this, hands up for an hour or two. Or his hands are chained to his middle for 6 hours or maybe more than that, and there are many types of punishments that they use on the prisoners...and this is the way they receive the prisoner.

Abū Mu’ādh As-Sūrī:

Also there is a brother in prison who told us. It was in the middle of winter and there was a Palestinian translator and an American interrogator. They brought the brother and put him in a barrel of cold water, in the middle of winter. And the brother, because of the severity of the cold and torture, began to call out “O Allāh, O Allāh” and the interrogator said, “Where is Allāh now, to help you?”



Abūl-Fārūq Al-‘Irāqī:

These are some of the descriptions of torture, as for others, there is worse than that in the prison.

And their dealings in the prison of Bagram, by scorning *Jihād* and the *Mujāhidīn* and even the Prophet peace be upon him. They would mockingly say, “*Muhammad is a terrorist.*” And they would say it with an air of scorn, when in fact the truth is Allāh sent Muhammad, may the Peace and Blessings of Allah be upon him, to clean this earth from *Shirk* (polytheism) and filth. So the Prophet peace and blessings be upon him was sent with the sword and he said to the *Quraysh*, “*I came to you with the slaughter.*”¹

Also from the torture, threatening to sodomize you, during the interrogation and also threatening to bring you wife and rape her in front of you and other things from the mental torture. What we say is nothing compared to what happened during those interrogations.

Abū Nāsir Al-Qahtānī:

From the evil things that we have to let our Islamic nation know about and at the top of it, our scholars. We say to you, by Allāh All-Mighty the enemies of Allāh, the Americans, they deal with the prisoners in the Bagram prison and in the other prisons, but specifically the Bagram prison, by Allāh, they take 15 men to the washroom, naked, 15 men wash together naked, in one washroom, they put them in there like cattle, handcuffed, naked, and then they tell them, wash, for one minute.

1 **Translator's Note:** Narrated by *Imām* Ahmad ibn Hanbal رحمه الله in his *Musnad* (11/203, #7036). *Imām* Ahmad Shākir رحمه الله declared its chain to be authentic, and said, “*Isnāduhu Sahīh.*” He also mentioned that it is narrated by Ibn Hajar al-Haythamī in *Mujma’ Az-Zawā’id* (6/15-16), and was pointed to by Ibn Hajar al-‘Asqalānī in *Al-Fat’h* (7/128), and Ibn Kathīr mentioned that it was narrated by al-Bayhaqī in *At-Tārīkh* (3/46)



Shaykh Abū Yahyā Al-Lībī:

Those American criminals think that they are the lords of human rights and that they are the callers for the freedom of the woman and rescuing her from oppression.

A story that grays the hairs of the young – the Red Cross – its name shows its reality, it is the cross, it is the collaborator of them, and we have seen from them a lot, and even if they do provide some services to the prisoners, anyway they have said exactly as follows, “*We have gone through various prisons in the world, yet we have not seen anything like this prison, Bagram prison.*” And Bagram prison is probably one of the most lenient prisons in the hands of the Americans where they imprison the *Mujāhidīn* brothers, because they allow the Red Cross to visit it. As for the *Adh-Dhalām* prison and the prison of torture and the others like the prison that is located in the house of the Leader of the Believers Al-Mullah Muhammad Umar in Qandahar, then the Red Cross is not allowed to visit it because they know that it may cause some problems for them.

And the story that I wanted to narrate; there is a woman from Pakistan. She stayed two complete years in solitary confinement in Bagram prison among more than 500 men. She goes out to the bathroom, led by the disbelieving, American infidel, placing his hand on one of her shoulders and the other hand on her back, and her hands and feet chained together, and she is treated exactly in the same way as a man, even in her clothing, the red suit that the brothers wear in Guantanamo and the *Mujāhidīn* in Bagram. This woman stayed there until she lost her mind, until she became insane, hitting the door and screaming day and night, and those ones all they do is make it worse by calling her by her number 650, that’s the number she had in the Bagram prison... “*What’s the problem?*” And she didn’t find a person to talk to. She is in solitary confinement, in front of her is a solitary room belonging to a man, on her side is a solitary room belonging to a man, and next to her is a solitary room belonging to a man. She didn’t find a woman to talk to, she only sees men, she only sees the adulteresses from the American army... So the woman lost her reasoning and mind and she stayed in this condition for two complete years, probably no one knew anything about her... *Wa Lā Hawla Wa Lā Quwwata Ilā Billāh.*



Abū Nāsir Al-Qahtānī:

To the rulers...

To the rulers, may Allāh uglify them!

To the Arab rulers and to those rulers who say that they are Muslims...

By Allāh, this woman stayed in this prison for two complete years. So me and some of my brothers, me, Abū Yahyā and the brothers here now and some of the Afghans, we tried to rescue our sister from this humiliation and this imprisonment, so we went on a hunger strike for around nine days, we refused to eat and drink for a duration of nine days, until the American interrogator came and asked, “*Why aren’t you eating?*” We said, “*We will not eat until death, until this woman leaves this prison!*” And with the blessing of Allāh All-Mighty Allāh got her out and then Allāh rewarded us and then got us out, and all praise is due to Allāh.

Who is going to be responsible for the guilt of those poor prisoners whose amount is not less than 500. And you know that the people of Afghan are poor people, in the houses are women and children and old, who brings in the money for them, except those prisoners who were taken by force and interrogated and tortured with them, and even then there wasn’t any evidence, but with that those pigs became arrogant and kept them in prison for years.

Who will get those ones out? Tell me now!

Abū Mu’ādh As-Sūrī:

One of the Afghans – and he is not from the Tālibān or from *Al-Qā’idah* nor had any ties, in fact he was against the Tālibān. The Americans suspected him, so they took him to the prison and began the interrogation – and this is him telling me this – and by Allāh they came with the Holy *Qur’ān* and asked him, is this the *Qur’ān*, and he said yes, so they got a cigarette lighter and lit fire to the *Qur’ān*, like that, and told him look, so that



they could torture him mentally and make him angry. And also in the prison of Bagram, there was a huge cross on the wall of Bagram, so that they would infuriate the prisoners.

Abūl-Fārūq Al-‘Irāqī:

The “sacred” cross...

Abū Nāsir Al-Qahtānī:

They are proud to hang the cross up on this Muslim land, on this Muslim land that fought for Islam and the Muslims and was the forefront in *Jihād* and the launch pad for *Jihād* on this land and the traitors from the scholars of the Sultan were able – those traitor scholars – made it possible for the Americans to come to this land with their false proofs and their words...

Shaykh Abū Yahyā Al-Lībī:

And also their ways of torture are not restricted to psychological and physical torture they even try to use sexual seduction to extract information – like it happened to many Afghans, it is because they know that the Arabs are well held on to their Religion and also the Afghan, however they know that the Arab is more holding onto and the furthest of people away from these things. So when they wanted to test the prisoner, if he is grasping on to his Religion or other that, they take him to a special room for examination and they give him a television and video player and they play for him the pornographic videos and films and they tell him, “*Watch.*” So if the man is weak in his Religion he will stay with them until the video finishes, and if he has fear of Allāh All-



Mighty and says, “*I seek refuge in Allāh, I can’t.*” They say to him, “*There’s no problem watch, there’s nothing wrong.*” Or they give him some lewd magazines and they tell him look, then after that, step by step to the point they even recruited some of them as soldiers and turned them into agents for them in this way...

And the means of torture are many, not only in the prison of Bagram, and the worst and harmful to the brothers is what happens in the *Adh-Dhalām* prison, in which those most important and high standing brothers who were caught went through, and this is according to the words of the Americans themselves.

Abū Mu’ādh As-Sūrī:

One of the brothers was sitting with an American psychiatrist and the brother was exhausted from the torture and he was angry so he asked the doctor is this a Crusade or not? And the doctor said, “*Yes, it is a Crusade*” - this is the doctor saying it. And another brother was sitting with an American woman interrogator, so the brother said to the interrogator, “*Tell me frankly is this not a Crusade?*” So the interrogator told him, “*Yes, frankly, it is a Crusade, not a war on terrorism or anything...*”

Abū Nāsir Al-Qahtānī:

As for us we say to our sincere truthful scholars, rise up like the rising of one man, and liberate the suffering as the Prophet peace and blessing be upon him ordered you to do, and incite this nation to this blessed action and incite them to join our brothers in this field and in Iraq and in Chechnya so that we can kill this enemy who came to crush Islam and the Muslims. And I from this place as a representative of my brothers, swear by Allāh All-Mighty that we will stay in this place, fighting those Americans until they get out of this blessed land and until they leave Iraq and until they leave Palestine and until they get out of the Arabian Peninsula with the permission of Allāh All-Mighty, and with our blood those pigs will be eradicated from these blessed lands, and I from



this place, request the previous *Mujāhidīn* who fought in the time of the Russians in this country, to return to this country and that they join their brothers, and join *Shaykh* Usāmah and *Shaykh* Abul-Layth [Al-Lībī, may Allāh have Mercy upon him] and join their brothers of old who fought the Russians, those who at their hands this Russian bear left defeated and crushed from this land. I ask them, Afghanistan, the land of Afghanistan asks them to come back again, it tells them, come back and get rid of this arrogant pig from this blessed land. We and our brothers here ask those *Mujāhidīn*, the previous *Mujāhidīn* to come back to battle with us so we can fight those Americans until they leave the Muslim lands.

Abūl-Fārūq Al-‘Irāqī:

And my advice to the nation and to the Muslims in general is the saying of Allāh All-Mighty, “O you who believe! Take not the Jews and the Christians as *Awliyā'* (friends, protectors, helpers, etc.), they are but *Awliyā'* to one another. And if any amongst you takes them as *Auliyā'*, then surely he is one of them. Verily, Allāh guides not those people who are the *Dhālimūn* (polytheists and wrongdoers and unjust).” [Qur'ān, Al-Mā'idah, Verse 51].

And my advice to my brother *Mujāhidīn* everywhere the saying of Allāh All-Mighty: "O you who believe! If any from among you turn back from his faith, Allāh will soon produce a people whom He will love as they will love Him; humble with the believers, mighty against the rejecters fighting in the way of Allāh, and never fearing the blame of a blamer. That is the grace of Allāh, which He bestows on whom He pleases. Allāh is All-Embracing All-Knowing."

[Qur'ān, Al-Mā'idah, Verse 54]

So I advise my brother *Mujāhidīn* to keep firm upon this way even if the going gets tough, and the obstacles and troubles on it increase, we advise them with the advise of Allāh All-Mighty to keep steadfast on this road until they meet Him as martyrs with Allāh's permission...and Allāh knows best, and peace and prayers from Allāh upon our chief Muhammad and his family and companions.



Shaykh Abū Yahyā Al-Lībī:

Come to prayer...

Come to success..

Come to success..

Allāh is the Greatest... Allāh is the Greatest

There is no god worthy of worship except Allāh

All praise is due to Allāh Alone. He helped his slave, strengthened his soldiers and crushed the parties (*Ahzāb*) Alone.

All praise is due to He Who said (and His Words are the truth): “*Is not Allāh Sufficient for His slave? Yet they try to frighten you with those (whom they worship) besides Him! And whom Allāh sends astray, for him there will be no guide ** And whomsoever Allāh guides, for him there will be no misleader. ** Say: "Tell me then, the things that you invoke besides Allāh, if Allāh intended some harm for me, could they remove His harm, or if He (Allāh) intended some mercy for me, could they withhold His Mercy?" ** Say: "Sufficient for me is Allāh; in Him those who trust (the believers) must put their trust."* [Qur'ān, Az-Zumar, Verses 36-39]

And He Who said (and His words are the Truth): “*Whatever of mercy (i.e. of good), Allāh may grant to mankind, none can withhold it, and whatever He may withhold, none can grant it thereafter. And He is the All-Mighty, the All-Wise.*” And prayers and peace be upon the most honorable of the Prophets and the chief of the Messengers and the leader of the *Mujāhidīn*, Muhammad the son of Abdullāh peace and prayers be upon him from Allāh and upon his family and companions.

And to proceed:

After three black, slim, dark years of oppression and suppression in which we tasted the bitterness of imprisonment and saw in it the subjugation of men. The hatred of disbelief and the disbelievers against the allies of Allāh and the believers materializing in front of our eyes, Allāh All-Mighty gave us the opportunity to make this stand in a land from the lands of glory, and in a place from the places of *Jihād*, where we return to the *Ummah*, its glory, and return to the *Ummah*, its honor, hoping from Allāh All-Mighty



to keep us stead fast upon this path, and that He favors us with a beautiful ending, martyrdom for His All-Mighty Sake.

We have seen the oppression of those disbelievers, who brag about justice and equality, and those who raise the symbols of tolerance, harmony and love, we saw past this through their rage, disbelief and malice, what Allāh All-Mighty told us about, warning us in various verses and many addresses in the Book of Allāh All-Mighty...Allāh All-Mighty said: *“O you who believe! Take not as (your) Bitānah (advisors, consultants, protectors, helpers, friends, etc.) those outside your religion (pagans, Jews, Christians, and hypocrites) since they will not fail to do their best to corrupt you. They desire to harm you severely. Hatred has already appeared from their mouths, but what their breasts conceal is far worse. Indeed We have made plain to you the Ayāt (proofs, evidences, verses) if you understand.*** Lo! You are the ones who love them but they love you not, and you believe in all the Scriptures. And when they meet you, they say, "We believe". But when they are alone, they bite the tips of their fingers at you in rage. Say: "Perish in your rage. Certainly, Allāh knows what is in the breasts (all the secrets)."* [Qur'ān, Aal-Imrān, Verse 118]

We have seen from the hatred and rage of those ones and from their hostility to Allāh All-Mighty and His Messenger and His Book and the believers, what has tightened our grip on our religion, and what has increased our certainty in Allāh All-Mighty and certainty in our beliefs, and that we are the people of truth and that we are the people of Islam and that we are the followers of the Prophet Muhammad peace and blessing be upon him, who the ancestors of those disbelievers raced to raise the flags of enmity towards him peace and blessing be upon him, from *Quraysh* and the Jews and the malicious Christians. We and with the permission of Allāh All-Mighty and after Allāh All-Mighty granted us this blessing and sent it to us without any cost and without any fatigue or trouble, it is clearly a blessing and undoubtedly a gift from Allāh All-Mighty, we promise to Him to thank Him for this blessing, and the greatest, first and best of thanks is that we be stead fast in the battlefield, until we crush those ones and fight them until Allāh gives us victory over them and until He judges between us and them with justice, and He is the best of rulers. We have seen them, from their malice and fury, what we already knew, that this war, that they raise its emblem under false signs ‘war against terrorism’, which we know for certain, based upon the reality and truth that it is a war against the Religion of Allāh All-Mighty, and a war against the slaves of Allāh, the believers and in the forefront of them, the righteous *Mujāhidīn*. We have seen from the *Mujāhidīn* who have been captured from the East and we have seen those who have



been captured from the West, among them the Arabs and the non-Arabs, the black and white, until we knew with certainty, from what we heard from their (the *Kuffār*) mouths, and through what we read in the books, that they do not want anything with this except to uproot Islam, taking advantages of these circumstances that occurred, to retaliate for what they tasted at the hands of the believers previously.

It is a war that isn't driven by the crusaders alone, it is a war where those crusaders participated together with their allies the apostates, they did their utmost to offer everything, valuable or not, and where they strengthen their friendship to those crusaders, and to offer their complete obedience and support to them, with their wealth, intelligence and with whatever they have.

It is a war, it is a global war against Islam and the Muslims, led by all the disbelieving religions. The Jews participated in it, and the Christians and the apostates. Those apostates opened up the doors of the prisons in Egypt, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Libya, Mauritania, and in every place on earth there are prisons belonging to those hateful criminal crusaders, in which the allies of Allāh All-Mighty taste the worst and most harmful forms of torture at the hands of those who affiliate themselves to Islām, before tasting it at the hands of those crusaders. Those prisons that have been filled with those weak ones and those *Mujāhidīn*, and they saw in the punishment of those criminals what makes the forehead sweat and what splits apart the liver (guts). Ask our brothers what they taste in the prisons of Jordan, I don't speak about our Jordanian *Mujāhidīn* brothers who were caught in Jordan or who were caught in Egypt, no, we are talking about our *Mujāhidīn* brothers who were caught in Pakistan or who were caught here in Afghanistan, or who were caught in Yemen, or those who were caught in some of the European countries and were taken to those prisons, to the prison in Jordan and it is one of the greatest prisons of those crusaders (and I will not say apostates), in those crusader prisons; so they tasted there the various tortures and punishment, that they wished they would be in the crusader prisons. Their honors were violated, their bodies torn to pieces.

By Allāh I don't say these words to stir up the zeal of the young men, or to wish for the tears of the weak. Verily it is a bitter truth that we must know. So you who defend the apostate leaders, and o you who raised them with their false calls to be the leaders of the Muslims, who have to be listened to and obeyed, don't you fear Allāh All-Mighty, don't you know that you will be standing between His Hands tomorrow, *Subhānahu Wa*



Ta’ālā. Why do we cover up the truth? And why do we water down the reality? And why do we flee from mentioning the truth? Verily it is a bitter truth, and verily it is a harsh reality, however we have to say it, and we have to accept it, so that we can prepare an accurate and strong plan in order to change this bitter reality.

O Muslims, verily your *Mujāhidīn* sons, the prisoners in the Bagram prison and in the *Adh-Dhalām* prison in Kabul, at the Kabul airport, and in the prison in Qandahar that has been set up in the remains of the house of the leader of the believers *Al-Mullah* Muhammad Umar, that honorable house from which the orders were dispatched to strengthen the religion of Allāh All-Mighty, here it is today, those men who stood there to carry out those orders which were issued to them by their leader and chief, here they are now in those dark narrow cells, in that house. And to vex them and to add to the bitterness in their hearts, they taste the different types of worst tortures. In the prison of Bansheer, at those who have sold their religion and lost this life and the hereafter, in that prison, I stayed there ten months, we saw in it humiliation and dishonor, and we saw in it the complete alliance that those apostates offer to those Jews and Christians.

They know that we are upon the truth, they say this with their own tongues, and they know that those people are disbelievers, and they say this with their own tongues, except they accepted to be subjugated slaves to those criminals for a few *Dirhams* or a few dollars. They sold this land that was washed and cleaned with the blood of the righteous martyrs, so they received what they got from humiliation in this world before the hereafter. So what do they have now under this apostate government, verily it is a humiliation upon them from Allāh All-Mighty, as Allāh All-Mighty said: “*Perhaps Allāh may bring a victory or a decision according to His Will. Then they will become regretful for what they have been keeping as a secret in themselves.*” [Qur’ān, *Al-Mā'idah*, Verse 52]

These are the prisons in this pure land, and all of it is a prison, in it the *Muwahhidīn* are pursued and the *Mujāhidīn*, and the righteous are pursued and hunted. So they will not expect to find a place for them except a place like this, where in it the weapons are their companions, and these clothes that demonstrate their perseverance and determination upon the road of *Jihād*, and the battle against those disbelievers, until they return to this land its honor, and until they return to it, its glory, and so that they can take revenge for those prisoners and for those martyrs.

O Muslims, *Jihād* for the sake of Allāh All-Mighty is obligatory, and it is binding upon us to rescue the prisoners from the prisons of the oppressors, who receive everyday,



thousands of pains, from humiliation and beatings, and from what they see from the tyrants who torture them, the enemies of Allāh All-Mighty.

Verily the returning of the honor of this nation, and verily the returning of the noble Islamic law to this pure land is not binding upon the Afghans alone, and it is not binding upon the non-Arabs alone. Verily it is binding upon the whole nation. Verily it is binding upon me, and binding upon him, and upon him. Verily I do not stand here – by Allāh if we wanted comfort and ease, we would have received it if we wished, however it is a humiliated, cheap comfort, which ceases in a few days. We want the comforts of the hereafter, verily we desire the honor of Islam in this world, and we want to be by the side of Allāh All-Mighty on the Day of Resurrection. For that reason, and all praise is due to Allāh for this great blessing, that Allāh All-Mighty sent us, and chose it for us, and chose us for it, we promise Him All-Mighty, with all our means, as long as we are here, fighting those criminals, battling them, combating them, tearing them apart in the land of Afghanistan, and we will not leave this land with the permission of Allāh, as long as we are capable, until the truth is returned to its rightful owners, and until the noble Islamic law is return to this pure land, and until those oppressed ones are released, and if not, then I say what a shameful holder of the *Qur’ān* I am.

And may the prayers of Allāh be upon our chief, Muhammad and his family and companions.

Allāh is the Greatest, and the glory is for Allāh and His Messenger and the believers.

Epilogue

Three years have passed since the brothers' escape.

As they promised, they joined their brothers from the Tālibān, and returned to the battlefield to fight against the crusaders.



Though they parted ways after Allāh saved them from the oppression and humiliation they faced at the hands of the enemies of Islām, they continued upon the path of Jihād, proving that imprisonment doesn't mean the end of one's life...

Rather it can be the first step towards better things to come.

Abūl-Fārūq Al-‘Irāqī:

May Allāh have Mercy on him!

That hero, who regardless of the oppression and severe torture he went through at the hands of the enemies of Islām, did not falter nor fall back on this blessed path.

After he escaped from Bagram prison and joined his brothers from the Tālibān and Al-Qā'idah, he heard the call of those oppressed ones in the Land of the Two Rivers, and with the permission of Allāh he rushed to answer them.

And it was there, in the city of Mosul, that his appointed time arrived...

Eulogy for Abūl -Fārūq Al- Irāqī, given by Shaykh Abū Yahyā Al-Lībī:

All praise is due to Allāh and may peace and prayers be upon the Messenger of Allāh and on his family, companions and allies.

As for what follows:

Allāh, the Glorious and Great, said:

"And say not of those who are slain in the way of Allāh 'dead'. Nay, they are alive, though you perceive not." [Qur'ān, Aal-Imrān, Verse 154]

I offer my condolences to myself, my brother the *Mujāhidīn*, and the Islamic *Ummah* in its entirety on the loss of a hero of Islām and departure of a knight of *Jihād*.



He is Fārūq Al- Irāqī, whom the fields of *Jihād* came to know as he visited and roamed them and shuttled between them, seeking to help the religion of Allāh, the Glorious and Great, striving to honor His Word, and toiling earnestly to aid persecuted and oppressed Muslims everywhere.

Bosnia and Herzegovina came to know him when it was invaded by the atheist Serb army and he rushed there with his brothers the *Mujāhidīn*, to fight, compete and persevere until the matter came to an end and finished in the way it did.

But he didn't permit himself to return to the worldly life and wallow in its delights. Instead, he searched for other fields of *Jihād*, because his soul had become saturated with love for this act of worship.

And thus is *Jihād*. He who has tasted *Jihād* cannot leave it, so long as he is sincere with Allāh, aware of the importance and status of this act of worship, and knows the virtue of the *Mujāhidīn* and the rank which Allāh has accorded them.

So he went to the Philippines, to those forests and jungles, and spent months there with his *Mujāhid* brothers and their poverty, weakness and displacement.

After that, he moved on to Indonesia, not as a tourist in search of the pleasures of this worldly life, but as an advocate of the persecuted, displaced Muslims who were being torn by the knives of Christian hate in the Maluku Islands.

He engaged himself in training his brothers there in the use of all the weapons in which he had gained expertise in the land of *Jihād*, until he fell into the hands of the Christians as a captive in this fierce Crusade which has devoured everything.

He spent three years in their prisons before Allāh the Glorious and Great favoured him with the miracle of escape from Bagram prison, but he refused to return to the life of this world and his soul didn't lean toward its delight and attractions.

Instead, he began to search for the fields of *Jihād*, this act of worship which he adored and was in love with.

So he moved on to Iraq, and there Allāh decreed for him what he always desired and what every *Mujāhid* Muslim wishes for: martyrdom in Allāh's path.



Fārūq Al- Irāqī, that man whose body was thin and weak, but who was heavy in faith, strong in his determination and tough in his zeal.

That's why the enemies of Allāh, the Glorious and Great, only dared to approach the house in which he resided with an entire army trained in the use of the most modern weaponry: the Christian British Army.

But this *Mujāhid* man refused to surrender, after having tasted the bitterness of captivity and repression for three years, and so he fought until he was killed.

We ask Allāh to raise his level and house him in the highest Garden of Paradise.

Abū Nāsir Al-Qahtānī:

May Allāh free him!

That courageous lion, who, after his escape from Bagram prison, promised the enemies of Islām that, with the permission of Allāh, he would return to fight them.

True to his promise, he, with the help of Allāh, led many attacks on the enemies of Islām and caused them a lot of damage. And all praise is due to Allāh.

Text of a meeting between Abū Nāsir Al-Qahtānī and *Labbayk Media*:

“How can we hide, when we lived through imprisonment and know the humiliation that our brothers go through in Bagram, Cuba and all the prisons of the *Tawāghīt* in Jordon, Egypt, Al-Maghrib (North Africa), Yemen and the Peninsula of Muhammad peace and blessings be upon him, and Pakistan, Afghanistan. How can one hide when his brothers are treated like this?

How can we hide when our sisters in Palestine are raped and children are killed and slaughtered in front of our eyes on the television screens?

By Allāh how can we hide when the Muslims in Indonesia, Philippines and Algeria, Turkistan, Uzbekistan and Chechnya are slaughtered like cattle?



By Allāh we couldn't hide. By Allāh we couldn't stay in the houses like the women. Instead we decided and put our trust in Allāh All-Mighty and we told the brothers, “By Allāh we didn't escape from Bagram prison to hide in the prison of the house with the women.”

By Allāh we didn't leave from there except to return to the battlefield.”

End quote.

Allāh decreed that brother Abū Nāsir was to fall into the hands of the enemies of Islām once again.

However, this time the apostates from the land of the two holy sanctuaries asked for him. Right now, this brave lion dwells in Muhail prison, one of the highest security prisons in the Arabian Peninsula, nicknamed 'Abū Ghraib'. We ask Allāh to protect Abū Nāsir and to free him from clutches of the enemies of Islām. *Amīn.*

Abū Mu’ādh As-Sūrī:

May Allāh preserve him!

This hero who didn't waver on the path of *Jihād* nor did he let his imprisonment in Bagram hinder him from returning to fight the enemies of Islām.

All praise is due to Allāh, he is still advancing on the path of fighting for the sake of Allāh and we ask Allāh to keep him firm upon it. *Amīn.*

Shaykh Abū Yahyā Al-Lībī:

May Allāh preserve him!

All praise is due to He, Who blessed the land of Afghanistan with the presence of this knowledgeable lion, who, with the permission of Allāh, has proved to us that *Jihād* and seeking knowledge can be achieved at the same time and do not conflict with each other.



The *Ummah* of Islām continues to offer the creme-de-la-creme of its men, sacrifice the best of its sons, and give generously of its finest leaders to protect the creed which it carries, preserve the *Sharī'ah* to which it belongs, and to prove that the safeguarding of principles, enforcement of the truth and establishment of justice is loftier, more valuable and more deserving than anything else, even the life which those who have no sense hang on to.

And a methodology has been laid out for this middle *Ummah* in which there is no hesitation and a goal on which there is no going back.

Racing to Allāh without any provisions

Other than *Taqwā* and work for the Hereafter

And patience for Allāh's sake in *Jihād*

For all provision are subject to exhaustion

Except *Taqwā*, righteousness and guidance

May Allāh preserve him, increase him in knowledge and keep him firm upon this path.
Amīn.

We ask Allāh to bless these lions of Islām with the highest level in Paradise, *Al-Firdaws Al-'A'lā*. *Amīn.*

And the caravan is still moving, so where are those who will catch up to it?!